

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	Art Unit: 2626
Mami et al.	Examiner: Michael N. Opsanick
Application No. 10/563,065	Date of Mailing of "Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due": February 6, 2009
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ANALYSIS OF VOCAL SIGNALS FOR A COMPRESSED REPRESENTATION OF SPEAKERS USING A PROBABILITY DENSITY RESEMBLANCES BETWEEN A VOCAL REPRESENTATION OF THE SPEAKER IN A PREDETERMINED MODEL AND A PREDETERMINED SET OF VOCAL REPRESENTATIONS	

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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**COMMENTS**

The applicants generally agree with the Examiner's determination that the prior art does not teach the invention claimed in the allowed application. However, the applicants do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's characterization of the teachings of the prior art or the Examiner's interpretation of the claims of the application. The specification and the prosecution history in their entirety provide the basis for allowability of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,  
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